

Performance Management Report

Fish, Wildlife and Parks

Reporting Period: 8/22/2005 - 01/31/2006

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Project Description:

FWP received authority to hire 2.00 FTE as Regional Investigators to increase the ability of the department to investigate and prosecute wildlife crimes. This project is designed to track the progress of the implementation of these positions.

Amount Appropriated		Amount Spent	(through 2/21/2006)
2006	\$120,000	\$ 69,308	
2007	\$110,000	0	

Source of Funding: General License Account (02409)

Intended Outcome(s):

Hiring two regional investigators dedicated to addressing organized wildlife crime will allow wardens focus on their regular field duties, increase the time spent investigating in wildlife crimes, and create a network to collect criminal intelligence.

Performance Measurement Criteria

1. FWP will track the total number of investigations by misdemeanor vs. felony; commercial vs. non-commercial; violations charged vs. violations detected; and the amount of time spent by the investigators assisting field wardens with investigations.
2. FWP will track the amount of time spent by the investigators coordinating investigations with other agencies, i.e. the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Forest Service, the BLM, the Board of Outfitters, the Department of Revenue, etc.
3. Regional investigators will investigate/coordinate residency violations based on the merge of ALS data with Department of Revenue data. FWP will track the number of license fraud cases made as a result of the merge and the number of individuals referred to the Department of Revenue for income tax residency investigations.
4. FWP will track the commercial wildlife inspections completed by the investigators on taxidermists, game processors, fur dealers, game farms, etc.
5. FWP will track the amount of criminal intelligence reports submitted and the number of interviews with subjects and informants.
6. FWP will track the amount of time spent by the investigators attending and conducting specialized investigative training courses.

Significant Milestones	Target	Completed
Job Announcement Posted	6/15/2005	6/14/2005
Start Date of Employees	9/15/2005	8/22/2005

LFD Comment(s)

The Regional Investigators continue to meet the objectives established for their positions.

Performance Indicators	through:	Jan-06		
		R-3	R- 5	Total
1 Violations Detected		224	481	705
Violations Charged		81	198	279
Hours spent assisting wardens		43	190	233
2 Hours spent assisting Other Agencies		77	68	145
3 Number of license fraud cases		7	4	11
Number of referrals to Dept of Rev		0	5	5
4 Commercial wildlife inspections		4	10	14
5 Criminal intelligence reports submitted		1	5	3
Interviews conducted w/subjects		53	47	100
Interviews conducted w/informants		72	25	97
5 Trainings attended		27	14	41
Trainings conducted		0	5	5

Narrative Description of Activities:

Region 3 Investigator

(Oct through Jan)
 *Major felony case completed (McDonald)
 * Major Minnesota residency case recovered 65 deer mounts.
 * Nevada and Iowa residency cases involving elk and deer and unlawful use of duplicate tags.
 *Wisconsin hunters tag transfer and hunting w/out license.
 *Assisted wardens with check stations and search warrants.
 *Attended interview/interrogation school.
 *Investigations into trapping cases, illegal outfitters.
 * Investigator's cases have resulted in a total of \$56,500 fines, \$74,300 restitution, 65 years privilege suspensions, 1 lifetime suspension and 1 yr prison assessed to date (others pending).

Region 5 Investigator

(Oct through Jan)
 * Covert patrol during antelope and general season, passed on info on violations and evidence to uniformed wardens.
 * Firearms recertification, search and seizure training
 * Two major and several other search warrants served; in one search, over 40 illegal deer heads were seized.
 * Investigation of major fish overlimit case, possible commercial nexus
 * Informant on deer shooting case gave new leads to Stillwater Co. homicide investigation, worked closely with SC Sheriff Office and Criminal Investigation Bureau
 * Assisted R7 wardens with joint felony investigation
 * Assisted British Columbia officers with illegal mountain goat case
 * Investigation and interviews with Utah and Wyoming illegal hunters
 * Investigating major bobcat trapping case
 *Investigator's cases have resulted in a total of \$28,400 fines, \$500 restitution, 30 years privilege suspensions assessed to date (many pending).

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